



MANAGEMENT
COMMITTEE
Revised Kyoto Convention
25th Meeting
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7 - 11 June 2021
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Brussels, 30 April 2021.

PRESENTATION BY A MEMBER ON ACCESSION PROCEDURES: CHALLENGES AND SOLUTIONS

(Item VI on the Agenda)

I. Background

1. At the time of the Meeting in June 2021, it is expected that the number of Contracting Parties (CPs) to the Revised Kyoto Convention (RKC) will reach 128. This includes one WCO Member, Jamaica¹ as a new Contracting Party. In order to support the accession to, and the implementation of the Convention, the RKC Management Committee (RKC/MC) had, during its 12th meeting, recommended that the Contracting Parties (CPs) share their experiences on the accession to the RKC, as well as on the implementation of its provisions.
2. During the 24th RKC/MC Meeting, delegates discussed three pre-recorded presentations from Liberia, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan. These three WCO Members shared their national experiences and highlighted the strong support provided by the WCO Secretariat during their processes that culminated with the deposit of the instrument of accession with the WCO Secretary General as the depositary of the Convention. After acknowledging the support provided by the Secretariat to WCO Members in their process of accession to, as well as the implementation of the RKC provisions, the RKC/MC congratulated the new Contracting Parties on their accession to the RKC and took note of the presentations by their Delegates.
3. In line with this usual practice established since the 12th RKC/MC Meeting as mentioned above, it is expected that Jamaica will be sharing its accession experience with the RKC/MC and will highlight the challenges faced as well as solutions implemented to overcome them.
4. During the virtual meeting on KUDO, Contracting parties and other delegates will be invited to comment and provide any guidance as well as share their national experiences/practices with the accession to, and the implementation of the RKC provisions. If, by the date of the Meeting, any other eligible party accedes, the possible

¹ Jamaica Customs Administration has forwarded the copy of the Instrument of accession (IoA) of its Country to the Revised Kyoto Convention and it is expected that the original of the said IoA will be deposited with the WCO Secretary General very soon, before the 25th RKC/MC scheduled to be held on 7-11 June 2021.

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new Contracting party will be invited to briefly present during the virtual session in KUDO.

II. Action required

5. On the basis of the foregoing, the RKC Management Committee is invited to :
- take note of the presentation by the Delegate of Jamaica;
 - share and discuss related national experience on RKC accession to, as well as on the implementation of RKC provisions; and
 - provide guidance to WCO Members and other potential Contracting Parties on these areas.
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